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The Honorable Jim Weiers  
Speaker of the House  
Arizona House of Representatives  
1700 West Washington  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: House Bill 2359; Border Officers; State Laws; Enforcement

Dear Speaker Weiers:

Today I vetoed House Bill 2359 because it does nothing but affirm existing law. House Bill 2359 merely acknowledges that county sheriffs may decide to enter into intergovernmental agreements with U.S. Customs and Border Protection to facilitate inter-agency communication without seeking the permission of the County Board of Supervisors, so long as the agreement has no fiscal impact on the county.

For this and other reasons, I have vetoed House Bill 2359. In so doing, however, I repeat that all law enforcement agencies whose jurisdictions overlap must communicate with one another and coordinate their policing efforts for the safety of the officers and the public.

Yours very truly,

Janet Napolitano  
Governor

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cc: The Honorable Timothy S. Bee  
The Honorable Jonathan Paton